



The Embassy of the United States of America Offers Scholarships for English language Teachers and Teacher Trainers

The Embassy of the United States of America in Managua is offering a training opportunity for qualified Nicaraguan English language teachers/trainers, to be held in the School for International Training (SIT) Graduate Institute in Centro Espiral Mana, Costa Rica. The course consists of face-to-face workshops with additional time for the planning of workshops, written assignments, and reading. The participants successfully completing the course will receive a SIT TESOL Certificate.

Courses and Available Sessions

1. **SIT TESOL Certificate Course**
 - a). November 18-December 16, 2012
 - b). January 27-February 23, 2013
 - c). May 5-June 1, 2013
2. **Classroom Management and Compassionate Communication (New!)**
 - a). January 2-13, 2013
3. **Skills and Principles in Language Teacher Training (News!)**
 - a). April 21-May 4, 2013
4. **Assessment for Competency Based Learning and Teaching (News!)**
 - a) April 21-May 4, 2013

Requirements for Selection

- Nicaraguan citizens living in Nicaragua
- Highly motivated English teachers and/or teacher trainers with three years of teaching experience in a Nicaraguan educational institution, and committed to a future teaching career
- Excellent command of English (Advanced teachers)
- Submit Resume

APPLICATIONS: Available on the U.S. Embassy web site: <http://nicaragua.usembassy.gov>

APPLICATION DEADLINE: **October 24, 2012**

Applications can be sent electronically to: ChavarriaLM@state.gov

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APPLICATION FORM – SIT Program
Please email this form to: ChavarriaLM@state.gov

Course Name: _____ Date: _____

Personal Data

Applicant Name _____

Mailing address: _____

Phone 1: _____ Phone 2: _____

E-mail: _____ Id Number (Cédula) _____

Educational Background

Feel free to submit your resume instead of filling out this section.

Schools Attended

Dates

Degree/Diploma

Teaching Experience

Describe your teaching experience. Where have you taught? What levels, texts, contexts? (Make sure to include the name of the institution as well as your position(s) there.)

Institution

Position

Date

Please answer the following questions:

1. Why do you want to take the SIT TESOL Certificate course?
 2. Why do you want to teach English to speakers of other languages?
 3. Why do you want to take the course in Costa Rica?
 4. What are your biggest strengths and challenges as a teacher of ESOL?
 5. What do you plan to do with your new knowledge when you go back to your home country and school?
 6. The course is offered in a small town in rural Costa Rica. We are far from cities and many activities. Are you ready and willing to commit to one month of intensively thinking about and working on teaching English in this rural setting?
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Along with the application, all prospective participants are required to submit a 400-500 word essay:

Choose two of the following quotes and discuss how they reflect something that you think is important when working with developing teachers.

The illiterate of the 21st century will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn, and relearn - *Alvin Toffler*

Nothing is more terrible than activity without insight. - *Thomas Calyle*

"The job of an educator is to teach students to see the vitality in themselves." - Joseph Campbell

"There are no difficult students - just students who don't want to do it your way" - Jane Revell & Susan Norman

Please sign _____ Date _____

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